instrument will be used for investigations of the cellular and network properties of the nervous system in the marine mollusk Tritonia diomedea that underlie decision-making and learning. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* July 20, 1998.

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Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff. [FR Doc. 98–20653 Filed 7–31–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DS–P

### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **International Trade Administration**

### Stanford University; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

Docket Number: 98–030. Applicant: Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305. Instrument: Crystal Growth Furnace, Type FZ–T–10000–HVP–II–S. Manufacturer: Crystal Systems, Inc., Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 63 FR 33052, June 17, 1998.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides optical melting of a rod to produce a single uncontaminated crystal along a moving float zone on the rod. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration advised February 8, 1998 that (1) this capability is pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use (comparable

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

# NOAA Coastal Ocean Programs (COP) Grant Applications

**ACTION:** Proposed Collection; Comment Request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 2, 1998. ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Leslie McDonald, COP Grants Office, NOAA Coastal Ocean Programs (COP), SSMC#3, Silver Spring, MD 20910–3283, (301–713–3338, x 137).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# I. Abstract

NOAA's Coastal Ocean Programs provides predictive capability for managing coastal ecosystems through sponsorship of research. COP seeks to deliver the highest quality science in a timely manner for important coastal decisions. It supports research on critical issues which exist in the Nation's estuaries, coastal waters, and Great Lakes and translates its findings into accessible information for coastal managers, planners, lawmakers and the public. Grant monies are available for related activities.

In addition to the standard application requirements for Federal grants, applicants must include the COP Summary Proposal Budget Form and a COP Project Summary (Abstract) Form. Applications may require up to 25 original proposal copies at time of submission. Use of the budget form will provide the level of detail required to evaluate the effort to be invested by investigators and staff on a specific project by the COP program staff; the proposed budget form is compatible

with forms in use by other agencies that participate in joint projects with COP.

The project summary (abstract) shall include a statement of objectives, methods to be employed, and the significance of the proposed activity to the advancement of knowledge or education; must not be more than one page in length; and should be written in the third person. The summary is used to help compare proposals quickly and allows the respondents to summarize these key points in their own words.

The stated requirements for the number of original proposal copies provide for a timely review process because of the large number of technical reviewers. Due to the fact that many proposals contain original color inserts and the lack of color-copying capabilities by COP, the increased number of original proposal copies provides the opportunity for a more consistent review of all proposals by all reviewers during the competitive process.

Persons with approved grants must file a COP Annual Progress Report and a COP Project Final Report. The annual report will provide the minimal information required by COP staff to evaluate the project's progress in respect to its goals and objectives, its schedule of accomplishments, and its resource management. The Project Final report will provide the level of detail required to evaluate the effort invested by the grantee, as well as the actual accomplishments or findings. The proposed format is compatible with forms in use by other agencies that participate in joint projects with COP.

## **II. Method of Collection**

The COP Summary Proposal Budget Form and the COP Project Summary Form are submitted as part of grant applications. The COP Annual Progress Report and the COP Project Final Report must follow a format provided to grantees. For the number of proposal copies required, the information is submitted as part of the application process; and no form is used.

### III. Data

OMB Number: None.
Form Number: None.
Type of Review: Regular submission.
Affected Public: Not-for profit
institutions (public or private
institutions of higher education,
institutes, laboratories).

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes for a budget form, 30 minutes for a project summary, 10 hours for an annual report, 10 hours for a final